

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: **Confirmation Number: 9171**

McKinnon III, Martin W. **Group Art Unit: 2616**

Serial No.: **09/935,514** **Examiner: Chang, Richard**

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For: **Allocating Access Across Shared Communications Medium to User Classes**

RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The non-final Office Action mailed June 30, 2006 has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.